

I oppose loosening the rules designed to promote and protect diversity of media ownership. These rules were adopted to ensure that the public would receive a diverse range of viewpoints from the media, and not simply the opinions of a handful of media conglomerates. The cable ownership

cap is a crucial element of our democratic media, and it should not be weakened.

I am adamantly opposed to the further consolidation of the media and believe that a free press, the lifeblood of our democracy, can only be assured through a healthy and robust diversity. AOL/Time Warner should never have been allowed to happen and we should not have to pay any more for our cable service when deregulation was promised as a means to make cable more competitive. Hah! Thank you for listening.